Corrections Management (Official Visitor) Appointment 2010

Disallowable instrument DI2010-17

made under the

Corrections Management Act 2007, section 57(1) (Official Visitors- Appointment)

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT

This instrument appoints Mr Jeremy Boland as an official visitor for a period commencing on 15 February 2010 and ending on 14 February 2011. The maximum permitted term of appointment is three years.

The appointment of an official visitor is provided for under section 57 of the *Corrections Management Act 2007*. Under that section, the Minister must appoint at least one person who possesses suitable qualifications or experience to exercise the functions of an official visitor. The Minister must not appoint a public employee as an official visitor. Mr Boland is not a public employee.

Mr Boland has a wealth of experience working with people from diverse backgrounds, including people experiencing disadvantage and incarceration. He has worked as a community development facilitator, youth homelessness services manager and community services and development executive manager. In addition, Mr Boland has been employed as a commercial lawyer and in a number of legal research positions.

Mr Boland has undertaken studies in law and international relations, and is currently undertaking a doctorate in juridical science. He demonstrates a sound understanding of the correctional environment. Mr Boland also demonstrates a good understanding of the *Human Rights Act 2004* and of the processes for resolving grievances associated with human rights.